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To:

KPCC: Reporter Molly Peterson was looking for information lead contamination levels the CDC has revised its estimate for the levels that trigger intervention from 10 micrograms to 5, but wanted to see what EPA's current understanding is. Working with HQ. SFUND. OPEN. Nahal Mogharabi.

Associated Press – Flagstaff: Reporter Felicia Fonseca had questions regarding Navajo Nation water deliveries and the status of EPA response. Working with Unified Area Command, sent reporter responses. SUPERFUND. Closed. (v) Contact: Rusty-Harris Bishop/Kelly Zito

Press release was issued: U. S. EPA settlement requires Salinas, Calif. realty company to remove lead-based paint. Soledad Calvino.

KSBW: Assistant news director asked for more information about the case. Sent her copy of CA/FO. Reporter Bianca Beltran followed up and asked for a phone interview to talk about the

case and lead-based pain in general. Set up interview with Max Weintraub. CLOSED. ENF. (v.) Soledad Calvino.

News Channel 546 Kion: Assignment Editor Marissa Schwartz wants to know if there are any other property management companies in the area (Monterey, Santa Cruz, San Benito Counties) with lead-based paint issues. Coordinated answer with Max Weintraub. Sent. CLOSED. ENF. (v.) Soledad Calvino.

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Web Updates:

California Air Actions – Posted links to Federal Register notices for two San Joaquin Valley air actions to the <u>News and Events page</u>.

9Online Updates:

Building Project – Updated the main page of the <u>Building Project site</u> to include information on EPASS smartcards and other developments.

CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

Senator Mazie Hirono (Hawaii) - Staffer Alan Yamamoto called to check in on the status of the response to comments and general status of our efforts with the process. Checked in with Steve Linder and provided update to Alan. CLOSED, Dean Higuchi.

Upcoming Congressional Outreach on Gold King Mine: There will be one final scheduled call on Tuesday, August 25th to update Congressional staff, elected officials and other state and local representatives on EPA activities in follow up to the Gold King Mine Release.

Upcoming House and Senate Committees Seek Animas River Spill Hearings: At least five separate congressional committees are seeking hearings on the release of 3 million gallons of mining waste and sediment into the Animas River in southwestern Colorado once Congress returns. The Senate Environment and Public Works Committee and Senate Committee on Indian Affairs both said they are in the process of scheduling hearings in September on the actions from the Environmental Protection Agency that led up to the spill and expect to finalize dates shortly. In addition, aides to the House Natural Resources Committee and House Oversight and Government Reform Committee said their panels are interested in their own hearings on the August 5th incident, but said no dates have been finalized. House Science, Space and Technology Committee Chairman Rep. Lamar Smith said last week his committee would conduct an oversight hearing September 9th.

Lake Tahoe Summit: RA Blumenfeld attended today's Lake Tahoe Summit and a luncheon with Sen. Dianne Feinstein held in conjunction with the summit. Along with Sen. Feinstein, Sen. Dean Heller and Representatives Mark Amodei, Tom McClintock, and John Garamendi and Nevada Governor Brian Sandoval and California Governor Jerry Brown were also expected to attend.

Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA): Following a request last week from the Senator's Los Angeles office to send an EPA representative to Refugio State Beach to brief the Senator on EPA's role in responding to the Refugio incident, Brent Maier discussed this request with the Senator's staff and we agreed to send a briefing document summary of U.S. EPA's role in the incident in lieu of our office sending a representative to brief the Senator in advance of her press event. Superfund's Dan Meer and Lance Richman prepared a summary document which Brent Maier sent to the Senator's office by the requested 12:00pm deadline. A copy of the summary document is available upon request.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA): Kelly Zito received a request on Friday afternoon from Kenneth Rooney in the Senator's Los Angeles office and Cameron Onumah in the Senator's DC office for an update on the Exide facility in Vernon, CA. Sen. Feinstein's State Director, Trevor Daley also participated in this call. Brent Maier coordinated and participated in a call along with Superfund's Dan Meer and Enrique Manzanilla, Land Division's Tom Huetteman, Enforcement Division's Deldi Reyes, and Steven Leonido-John. Deldi provided a report out of her

observations from the last CAG meeting and Dan Meer along with Enrique Manzanilla and Tom Huetteman provided perspective from both the Superfund and RCRA Programs.

Rep. Grace Napolitano (D-CA-32): In follow up to an earlier request from Mary Ann Lutz and Hector Elizalde for EPA to participate in some events this week related to some homeless encampment issues along the San Gabriel River and potential environmental issues, Brent Maier let the Congresswoman's office know that Steven Leonido-John, Director of EPA's Southern California Field Office will be attending the Homeless Encampment Meeting on Friday at the Army Corps of Engineers' facility. Brent also let their office know that Steven will not be attending tomorrow's walking tour.

Congressional Outreach on Enforcement Settlement: Brent Maier shared today's press release with Congressional staff in the offices of Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein and Rep. Sam Farr announcing a settlement with Piini Realty, Inc. for failing to notify its tenants about the potential presence of lead-based paint at 12 rental units located in Salinas, Calif.